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KG - Art & Craft Club Activity

Ms Sivaranjani S, In-Charge of Art & Craft Club- KG



"Art speaks where words are unable to explain!"

Last week our creative kids had amazing art and craft sessions, Our youngest participants enjoyed making handprint cat whiskers, adding a touch of fun and personal flair to their art, The Jr.KG groups created colourful rainbows, fostering their creativity and colour recognition skills. Meanwhile, our Sr.KG students worked on drawing face symmetry, which helped enhance their hand eye coordination and creativity. The results were stunning, and the children had so much fun creating their masterpiece all by themselves. It's wonderful to see their creativity and enthusiasm shine through in every piece. We're so proud of their hard work and artistic flair! Keep up the fantastic work, little artists!

Please find glimpses of our little artist's creative moments.

Nursery





Junior KG





























ART-INTEGRATED LEARNING: ENHANCING EDUCATION THROUGH CREATIVITY



Ms. Sneha- Club Head & Math Educator



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Activity: Illustration of organs

Highlights: The youngest students showcased their understanding of sense organs through colorful and detailed drawings, bringing to life their knowledge of how we see, smell, hear, taste, and touch.









GRADE 2: WATER ANIMALS



Activity: Illustration of animals

Highlights: Students displayed their artistic skills by creating vibrant illustrations of various water animals, demonstrating their awareness of marine life and its diversity.









GRADE 3: BODY SYSTEM

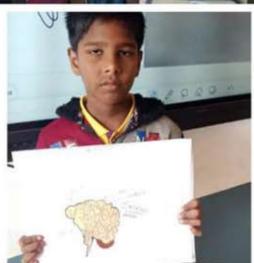
Activity: Illustration of organs in the body system

Highlights: The intricate drawings of internal organs showed a deep understanding of the human body's functions and structure, with students effectively communicating their knowledge through art.













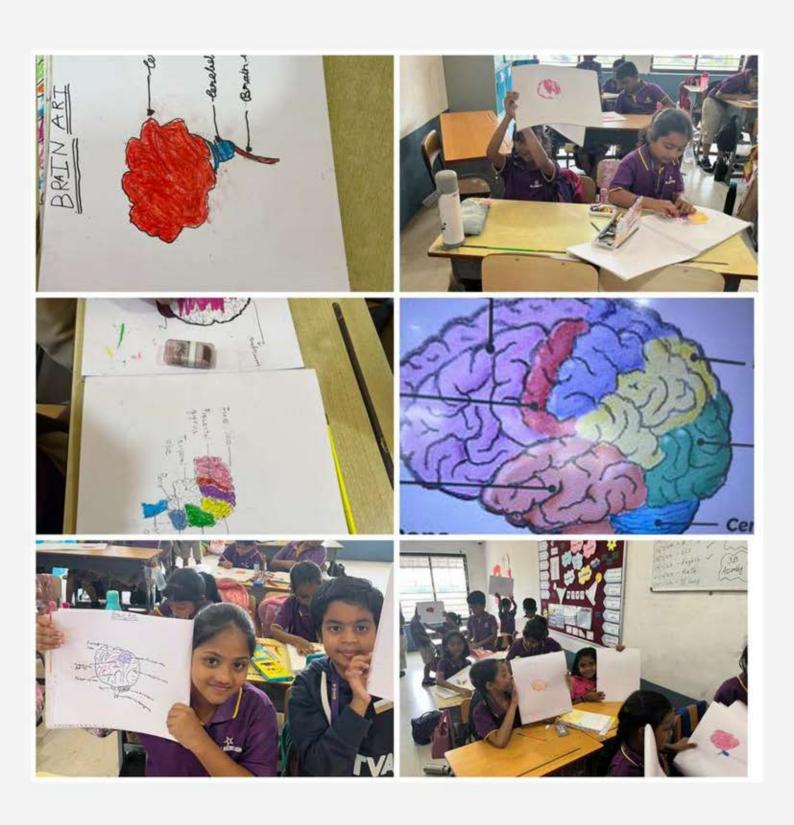










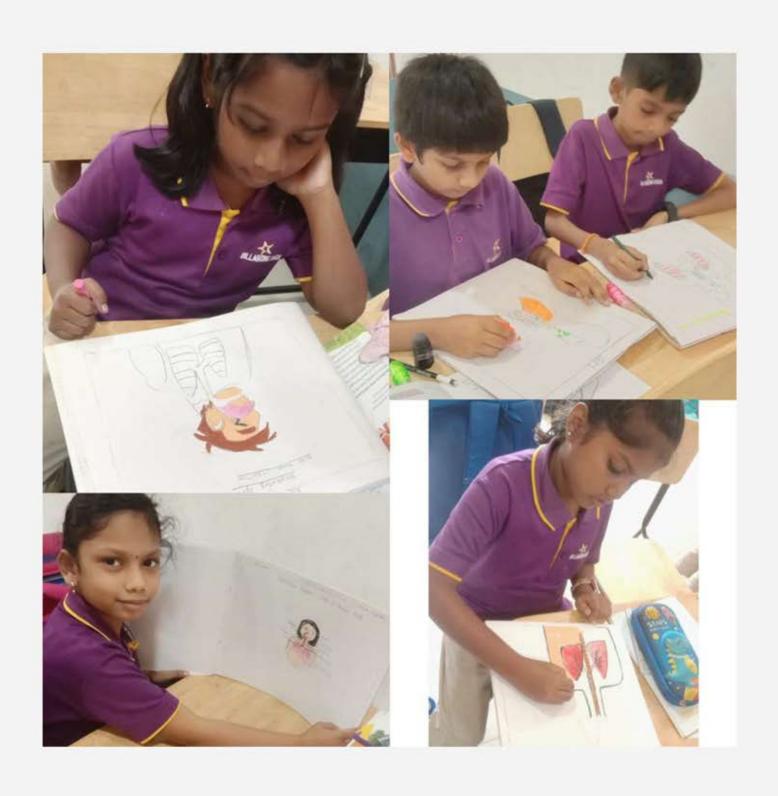


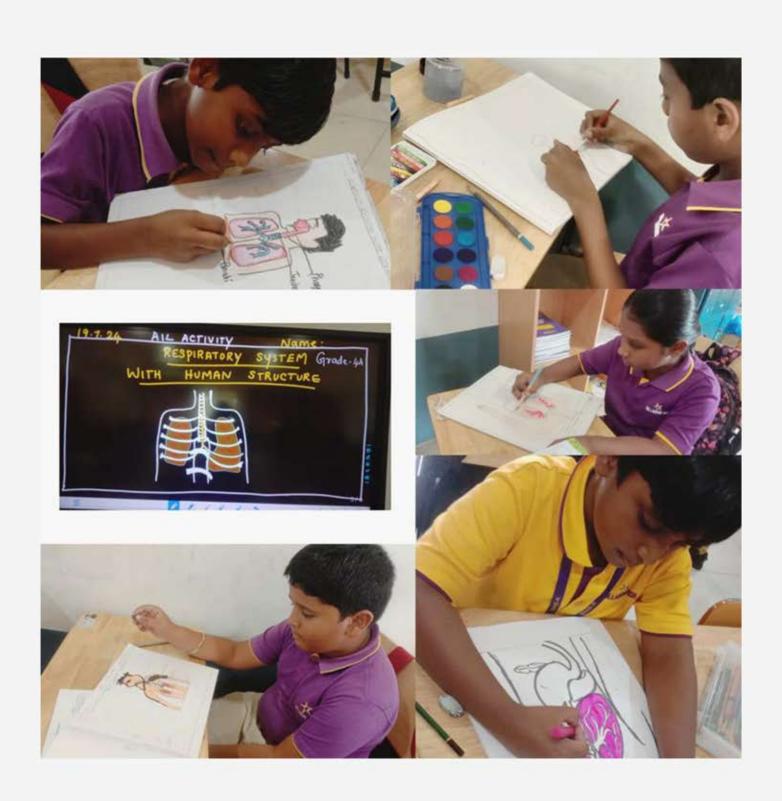


GRADE 4: RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

Activity: Illustration of the respiratory system with human structure **Highlights:** Students illustrated the respiratory system, emphasizing the importance of breathing and the function of lungs, trachea, and diaphragm, in a creative yet educational manner.





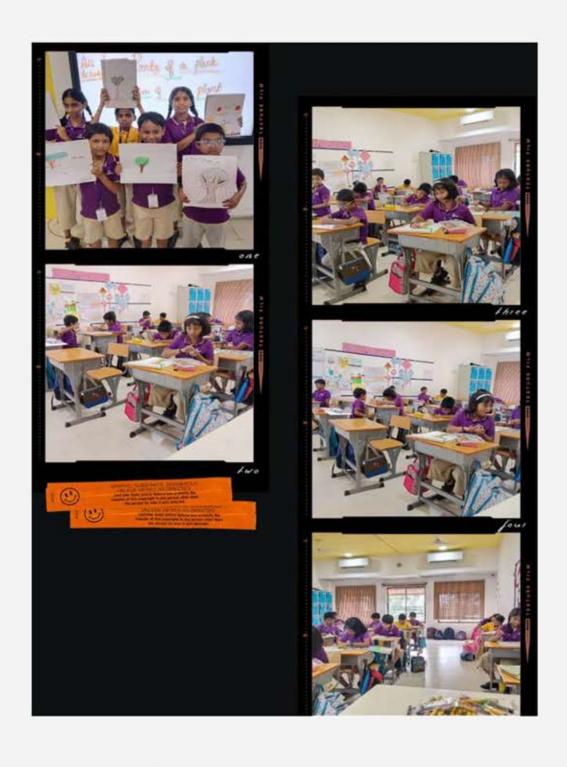


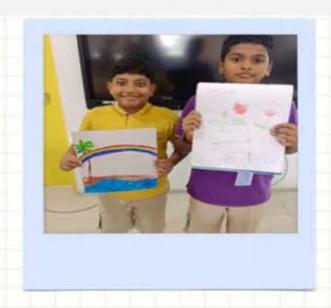


GRADE 5: PARTS OF A PLANT

Activity: Illustration of a plant

Highlights: The students' drawings of plants highlighted various parts such as roots, stems, leaves, and flowers, demonstrating their understanding of botany and the essential functions of each part.















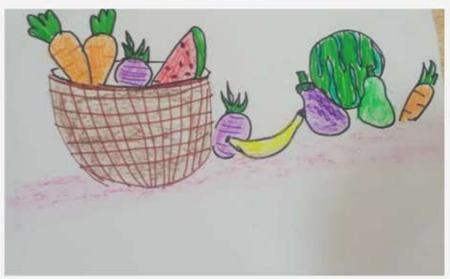
GRADE 6: BALANCED DIET



Activity: Food art

Highlights: Through food art, students creatively represented the concept of a balanced diet, illustrating different food groups and the importance of nutrition in maintaining a healthy lifestyle.







GRADE 7: LIFECYCLE OF A SILK MOTH

Activity: Illustration of a silk moth

Highlights: The lifecycle of a silk moth was vividly illustrated, with students depicting each stage from egg to adult moth, showing their comprehension of this biological process.



GRADE 8: MICROORGANISMS



Activity: Illustration of colorful microorganisms

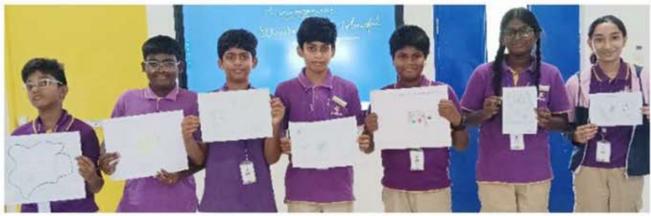
Highlights: Students created detailed and colorful representations of various microorganisms, showcasing their knowledge of these tiny yet significant life forms.











The students, already showing a keen interest in the arts, embraced the challenge of integrating their given topics with artistic expression. These activities not only reinforced their understanding of scientific concepts but also allowed them to express their creativity and improve their communication skills. The AIL activity was a resounding success, highlighting the power of art in enhancing academic learning and fostering a more engaging and dynamic educational experience.



Vibrant Umbrella Paper Craft



Ms. Sivaranjani S. & Ms. Rathna, Junior KG Educators

"Pitter Patter Raindrops, Falling from the sky Here is my umbrella, To keep me safe and dry!"

The rainy season is always a fun time for the kids, and it creates a mesmerizing school environment for the tiny tots to celebrate the monsoon with enthusiasm as they witness rain showers from the morning. The students of Junior Kindergarten made colorful umbrellas by tearing and pasting colored papers and were encouraged to talk about the rainy season. They were completely engrossed in the activity, where the facilitator also enriched their vocabulary by introducing new words like gumboots, raincoat, umbrella, etc. The children enthusiastically participated and enjoyed the activity, which fostered their creative skills.

Please find glimpses of our learning moments.









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DELIGHTFUL D: POM POM FUN WITH THE LETTER D

Ms. Sarala B., Nursery Educator

The children were introduced to the alphabet, where they not only learned to recognize each letter but also understood the corresponding phonetic sounds. They are now progressing to participate in various hands-on activities designed to enhance their fine motor skills, which are essential for tasks such as writing and manipulating small objects. Activities include tracing letters, shaping playdough, and picking up small items with tweezers. These exercises help children develop better finger grip and hand-eye coordination.







Engaging Learning: Exploring the Senses through Classroom Activities

Ms. Shahana & Ms. Devi S., Senior KG Educators

At Senior Kindergarten, students participated in a captivating class activity focused on exploring the five senses—sight, hearing, touch, taste, and smell—through a fun and educational sorting exercise. Utilizing a variety of pictures depicting different stimuli, students were tasked with categorizing each image according to the corresponding sense organ it primarily stimulated.

From the outset, the children were eager participants, demonstrating enthusiasm and curiosity as they delved into the sensory world. They approached the task with a blend of collaborative spirit and individual exploration, discussing and debating among themselves which sense each picture best represented.

As the activity progressed, it became evident how effectively the hands-on approach facilitated learning. By physically sorting the pictures, students not only reinforced their theoretical knowledge but also gained practical insights into how sensory stimuli interact with their environment. This active engagement encouraged critical thinking and problemsolving skills, as children navigated through ambiguous images that could potentially stimulate multiple senses.

Through activities such as these, we pave the way for a generation of thinkers, innovators, and problem-solvers, equipped with not only knowledge but also the curiosity and skills necessary to navigate a rapidly changing world.



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KAMARAJAR'S BIRTHDAY ACTIVITIES



Mr Varadharajan K, Tamil Educator

கல்விக்கண் திறந்தவர், கர்மவீரர் படிக்காத மேதை என்று போற்றப்படும் காமராசர் பிறந்தநாளினை முன்னிட்டு நமது 'பில்லாபாங்' பள்ளியில் ஓவியப்போட்டி, கட்டுரைப்போட்டி, பேச்சுப்போட்டி ஆகிய போட்டிகள் நடத்தப்பட்டது. இதில் கலந்துகொண்டு தனித்திறனை மாணவர்கள் ஆர்வமுடன் தங்களது வெளிப்படுத்தினர். இதன் மூலம் மாணவர்கள் பேச்சுத்திறன் எழுத்துத்திறன் ஓவியம்வரையும் மேம்பாடு அடைவதுடன், திறன் ஆகியவை மற்றும் காமராசரினைப் பற்றியும் அவர் தமிழ்நாட்டிற்கு ஏற்படுத்தி தந்த பல்வேறு நலத்திட்டங்கள் பற்றியும் மாணவர்கள் நன்கு அறிந்து கொள்வதற்கு இது நல்ல வாய்ப்பாக அமைந்தது.

